

**UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT**  
**DISTRICT OF OREGON**  
**PORTLAND DIVISION**

**UNITED STATES OF AMERICA**

**3:23-cr- 346-HZ \_\_\_\_\_**

**v.**

**INFORMATION**

**JAMES MONROE,**

**38 U.S.C. § 6102(b)**

**Defendant.**

**THE UNITED STATES ATTORNEY CHARGES:**

**INTRODUCTION**

1. Defendant **JAMES MONROE** has been receiving a U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs benefit, “Individual Unemployability” since 2005.

2. Individual Unemployability is a benefit that the VA administers to veterans at a predetermined compensation rate if they are unable to maintain substantially gainful employment and if the reason for their inability is connected to their service-related disabilities.

3. Nevertheless, Defendant was engaged in substantially gainful employment—at least since January 1, 2019.

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**COUNT 1**  
**(Fraudulent Acceptance of Payments)**  
**(38 U.S.C. § 6102(b))**

4. From at least on or about January 1, 2019, and continuing until on or about January 1, 2022, in the District of Oregon, defendant **JAMES MONROE**, did knowingly fail to report and deliberately concealed earned income to the VA while receiving Individual Unemployability benefits.

All in violation of Title 38, United States Code, Section 6102(b).

Dated: October 24, 2023

Respectfully submitted,

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